

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re: Marc H. Hedrick et al.

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Title: ADIPOSE-DERIVED STEM CELLS AND LATTICES

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September 10, 2001Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Please amend the subject application as follows.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claims 8-138 without prejudice to pursue the subject matter of these claims in a continuation application to be filed in the future.

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